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CARRYING OUT A SECRET EXECUTION?

THAT'S RIDICULOUS.

BUT HE'S OKAY WITH IT.

HE'S JUST A 16-YEAR-OLD KID...

CHAPTER 1: THE CURSED CHILD

WE DON'T KNOW HOW MANY MORE PEOPLE WILL BE KILLED BY THE CURSE.

THAT LEAVES US WITH...

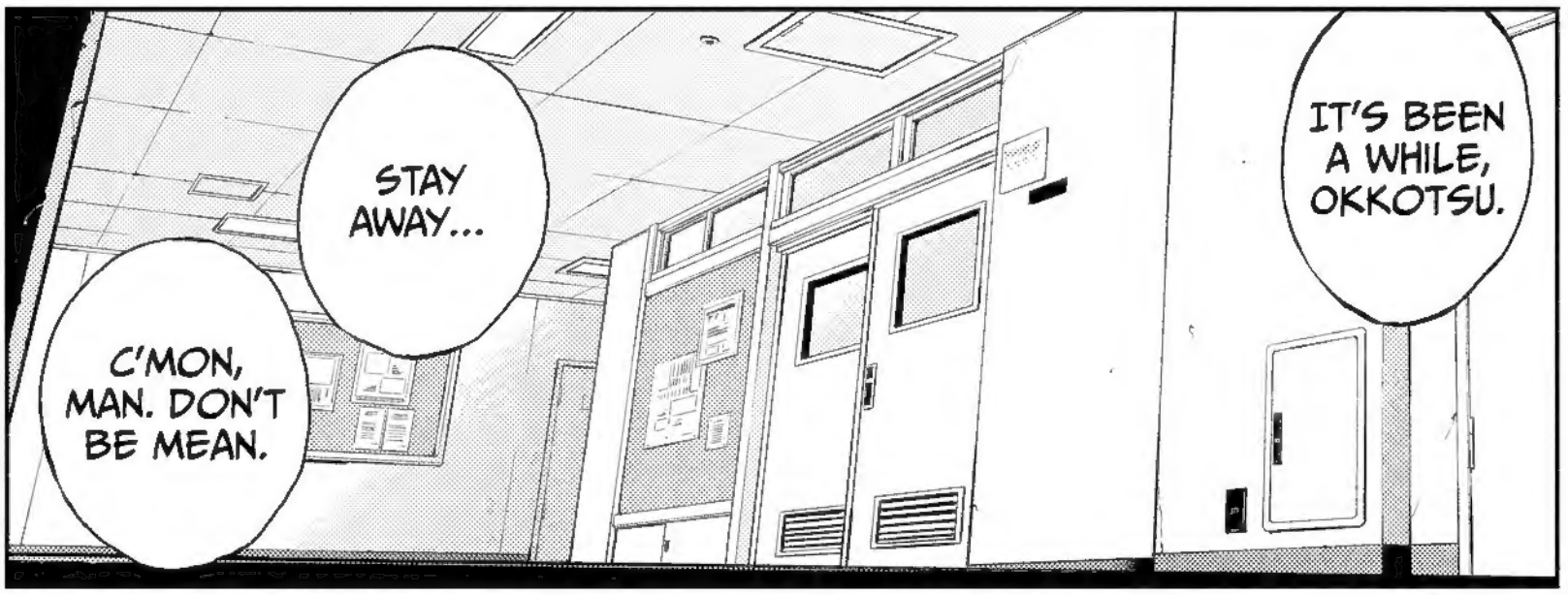
IT'S FINE.

WE'LL LOOK AFTER YUTA OKKO-TSU...

...AT JUJUTSU HIGH.

CHAPTER 1:
THE CURSED CHILD

OKKO-
TSU
FUSHI-
GURO
JUJUTSU
HIGH, 2017
THEY'RE NOT
THE SAME PEOPLE.
INUMAKI
DURING A SENDAI
MISSION, 2017
INU-
MAKI
ITA-
DORI



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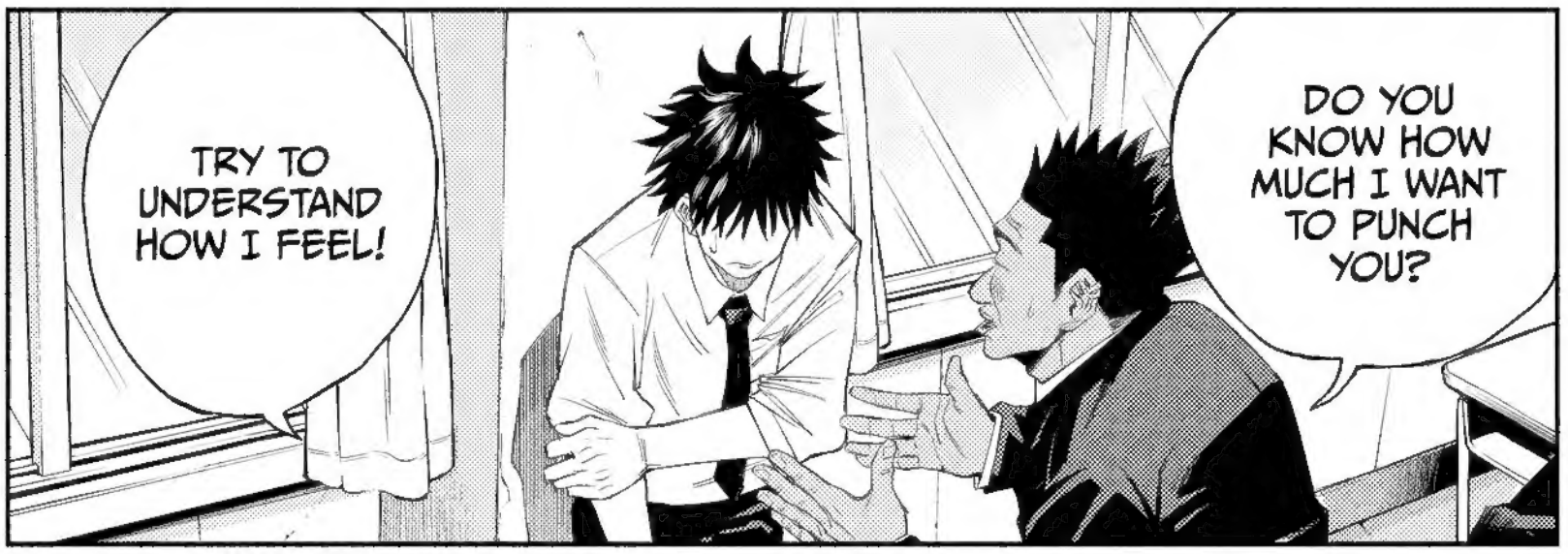

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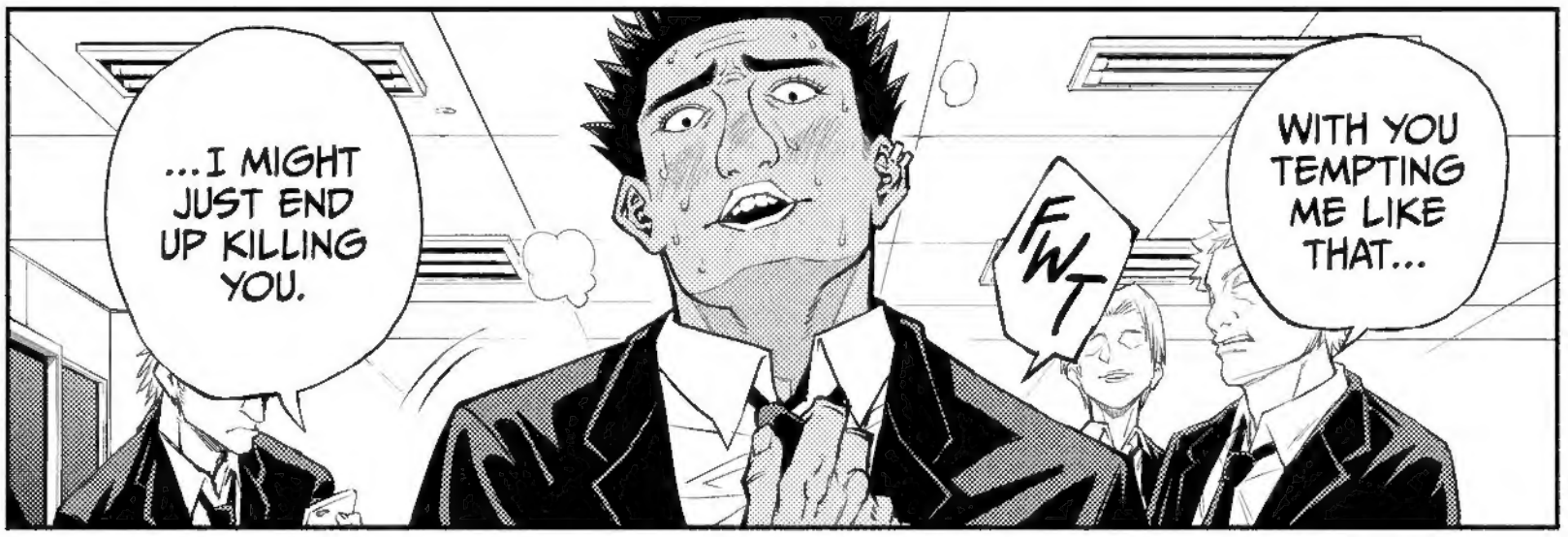


RIKA?

STAY AWAY...

RIKA!

REPORT—TOKYO, NOVEMBER 2016

FOUR STUDENTS, INCLUDING THE RINGLEADER, SUFFER SEVERE INJURIES IN RESPONSE TO THEIR PERSISTENT BULLYING BEHAVIOR.

I'M SORRY.

I'M SORRY.

SHVR SHVR

SHVR SHVR

KREAK

NOPE. WORD IS THEY ONLY SUFFERED SEVERE INJURIES.

HMPH!

IF HE'S COCKY, I'LL ROUGH HIM UP A BIT.

FISH FLAKES.

DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE TRANSFER STUDENT STARTING TODAY?

APPARENTLY, HE *CRAMMED* FOUR OF HIS CLASSMATES INTO A LOCKER.

HE KILLED THEM?

TUNA MAYO.

WHAT'S THIS...

THAT WAS... A KNIFE.

...YUTA OKKOTSU?

I TRIED TO KILL MYSELF.

I'M NOT GOING.

BUT RIKA WOULDN'T LET ME.

FWP

TODAY'S YOUR FIRST DAY AT YOUR NEW SCHOOL.

YIKES, YOU'RE KINDA GLOOMY ...

I DON'T WANT TO HURT ANYBODY ANYMORE...

...SO I'M NOT GOING OUTSIDE.

...YOU'LL BE LONELY.

SKWEEZ

BUT...

THE CURSE ATTACHED TO YOU...

...CAN HELP PEOPLE DEPENDING ON HOW IT'S USED.

LEARN TO CONTROL ITS POWER.

THEN YOU CAN DECIDE WHETH-ER...

...THROWING IT ALL AWAY IS WORTH IT.

CHAPTER 1: THE CURSED CHILD

BA DAN

LET'S GET THE PARTY...

TRANSFER STUDENT INCOMING !!

SHAA

...STARTED ...

...

SAL-MON.

WHAT-EVER.

WELL.

FWOO

I HEAR HE'S QUITE THE PUNK.

AS FOR BEING NICE TO THAT KIND OF GUY... NO THANKS.

KRRTUNK

GONNA GIVE HIM THE SILENT TREATMENT.

THE ATMO-SPHERE FEELS REALLY CHILLY...

COME ON IN!

DOOM

DOOM

DOOM

AGH?

I'M YUTA OKKOTSU.

NICE TO MEET YOU.

THK THK THK

HEY.

IS THIS SOME SORT OF TEST?

DON'T YOU KNOW YOU'RE CURSED?

NATIONALLY, THE AVERAGE NUMBER OF UNEXPLAINED DEATHS AND MISSING PERSONS EXCEEDS 10,000 ANNUALLY.

NOT A PLACE FOR PEOPLE WHO *ARE* CURSED!

THIS IS A PLACE TO LEARN ABOUT CURSES.

THERE ARE CASES THAT ARE ALSO THE RESULT OF EVIL *CURSE USERS.*

THE RESULT OF A *CURSE.*

...THE RESULT OF NEGATIVE ENERGY THAT FLOWS OUT OF PEOPLE.

THE MAJORITY ARE...

THIS IS TOKYO PREFECTURAL JUJUTSU HIGH SCHOOL.

HERE, WE LEARN ABOUT CURSES IN ORDER TO EXORCISE CURSES.

YOU HAVE TO FIGHT CURSES WITH CURSES.

?

OH, I'D STEP AWAY IF I WERE YOU GUYS.

YOU'RE TELLING ME THIS NOW?!

YOU DIDN'T TELL HIM?!

MY BAD!

SHHLUK

GRK

YUUUTA!

!!

GRRIK GRRIK

DONNN'T BULLLY...

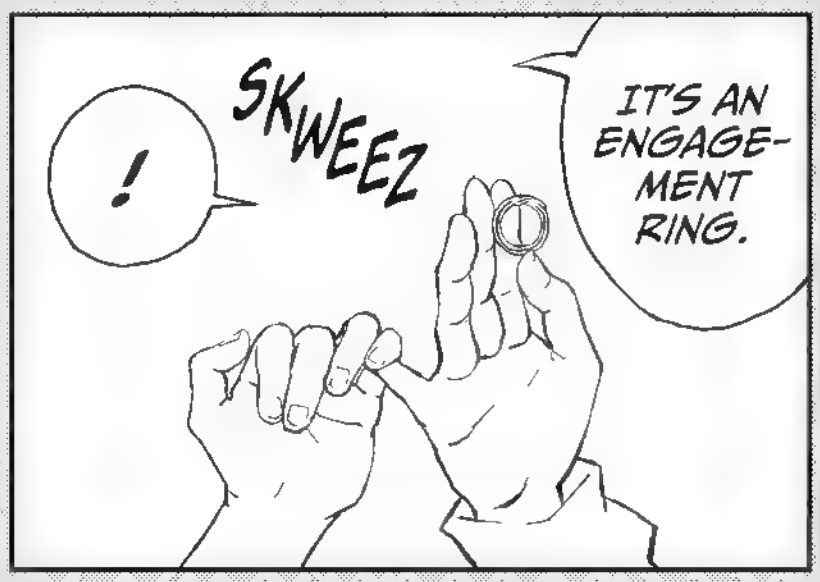
WAIT!

RIKA!!

SPECIAL GRADE CURSED HUMAN: YUTA OKKOTSU

SPECIAL GRADE VENGEFUL CURSED SPIRIT: RIKA

RECORD—SIX YEARS AGO, SENDAI CITY, MIYAGI PREFECTURE



IT'S FOR A PROMISE...

EN-GORGE-MENT?

...WE'LL GET MARRIED.

IT MEANS WHEN WE GROW UP...

SHE'S BEYOND SAVING!!

IDIOT, CAN'T YOU SEE?!

SOMEONE CALL FOR AN AMBU-LANCE!

HEY!

HER HEAD'S CRUSHED!!

RIKA?

adidas

HUH?

SHP

YUUU-
TA...

TWITCH

YUTA.

GLOP

...LLLET'S GEEET MAAAR-RIEEED...

WHEN WEEE GRRROW UUUP...

IT'S A PROMISE.

BA—M

EVERY-ONE GET ALONG, OKAY?!

THIS IS YUTA OKKO-TSUUU!

SO, THAT'S ALL IT IS.

HE'S CURSED BY RIKA, THE GIRL WHO LOOOVES HIM!

CLUTTER

ANY-WAY...

...JUST BE CAREFUL!

TOO LATE...

...RIKA'S CURSE.

ATTACKING YUTA MAY OR MAY NOT ACTIVATE...

CURSED TOOL USER...

...MAKI ZEN'IN.

SHE USES SPECIAL TOOLS TO EXORCISE CURSES.

...

...

THEY'RE GOING THROUGH A REBELLIOUS PHASE, SO I'LL JUST MAKE SOME QUICK INTRODUCTIONS, OKAY?

FEELS LIKE YOU'RE THE TROUBLE-MAKER...

PANDA.

I'M PANDA. NICE TO MEETCHA.

CURSED SPEECH USER TOGE INUMAKI.

HIS VOCABULARY'S LIMITED TO RICE BALL INGREDIENTS, SO GOOD LUCK TALKING TO HIM.

KELP.

UMMM

NO EXPLANATION FOR THE ONE I WAS MOST CURIOUS ABOUT...

THAT'S ABOUT IT.

WELL.

BAM!!

SO, INCLUD-ING YOU...

...THAT MAKES FOUR FIRST-YEARS.

THREE HUMANS AND ONE ANIMAL...

OUR AFTERNOON PRACTICAL JUJUTSU CLASS...

...IS GOING TO BE CONDUCTED IN PAIRS.

SHUP

TOGE AND PANDA, PAIR UP.

LET'S DO OUR BEST.

MAKI AND YUTA, PAIR UP.

GAH!

SHE SAID, "GAH!"

YOU WERE BULLIED, WEREN'T YOU?

...

UM... I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU.

I'D TOTALLY PICK ON YOU TOO.

THOUGHT SO.

...SO WHY PLAY THE VICTIM?

YOU'RE BEING PROTECTED...

YOU ACT LIKE A GOOD PERSON, BUT IT FEELS FAKE.

IT'S GROSS.

I WONDER IF IT'S BECAUSE OF THE CURSE...

JUJUTSU HIGH AIN'T THAT EASY.

WITHOUT ANY GOALS.

I BET YOU'VE BEEN PASSIVE YOUR WHOLE LIFE.

WHAT-EVER!

SKRCH SKRCH

FINE!

FISH FLAKES!

IT'S FINE...

SHE CAN BE A LITTLE HARSH SOMETIMES.

SORRY 'BOUT THAT.

THAT'S ENOUGH, MAKI.

SHUMP

P.A.T

THIS IS JUST AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

WHERE ARE WE?

SHE'S NOT WRONG.

...HAVE GONE MISSING.

MISSING?!

AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WHERE KIDS...

...TEND TO GENERATE CURSES.

CROWDED PLACES WITH LOTS OF MEMORIES...

WERE THE KIDS ATTACKED BY A CURSE?

YEAH, TWO THAT WE KNOW OF.

A CURSE PROBABLY MANIFESTED HERE NATURALLY.

SCHOOLS ARE PRIME LOCATIONS FOR CURSES.

EXORCISE THE CURSE, RESCUE THE KIDS...

FWP

...AND RETRIEVE THE DEAD, IF ANY.

CURSE

AND THAT RESULTS IN A CURSE LIKE THE ONE HERE.

PEOPLE'S MEMORIES FEED NEGATIVE EMOTIONS INTO THOSE PLACES.

SCHOOLS. HOSPITALS.

HATE

SHAME

REGRET

PURIFY THAT WHICH IS IMPURE.

EMERGE FROM DARKNESS, BLACKER THAN DARKNESS.

GLP GLP GLP GLP GLP GLP GLP

IT'S TURNING INTO NIGHT!

GLOP

!

...AND REVEAL THE CURSE.

IT'LL MAKE YOU GUYS INVISIBLE TO THE OUTSIDE WORLD...

THAT'S A CURTAIN.

...DYIN' ON US NOW.

DON'T GO...

OKAY THEN ...

IT'S ALSO EASILY DEACTIVATED FROM INSIDE.

SEN- SEI?! DIE...

TRANSFER STUDENT.

PAY ATTENTION.

WOOSH

KRIK...

G-
GET...

GRK
GRK
GRK

...IN.

SNAP

G-
GET...

!

DUN DU DU DUN

GRRSHLUK

...IN?

W-W-WHAT SHOULD WE DO ?!

DUN DUN DUN DUN DUN

THEY'RE COMING!!

BE QUIET.

HERE'S A LESSON FOR YOU.

TD

CURSES...

...TEAM UP IF THEY ARE WEAK.

KVEEK

BWOOF

WOW... ONE SWING.

C'MON, LET'S GO.

UM, WHERE?

I GUESS...

THE SAME APPLIES TO HUMANS.

FWOOSH

INSIDE THE SCHOOL, OF COURSE.

DRIP-DRIP DRIP-DRIP-DRIP

OH, SORRY.

IT SEEMS LIKE THERE SHOULD BE GHOSTS... WELL, I CAN SENSE THERE ALREADY WERE...

DON'T CALL ME BY MY LAST NAME!

AREN'T YOU SCARED, ZEN'IN?

NO, THERE ARE. THEY JUST AREN'T ATTACKING.

DESPITE THE CURTAIN, THERE AREN'T MANY CURSES AROUND...

RATTLE RATTLE

YES?!

JOLT

HEY.

HUH?

IN ENGLISH PROFICIENCY?

WHAT GRADE LEVEL ARE YOU?

IS IT BECAUSE OF OKKOTSU?

SOME-THING MOVED!

YOU GOT ONE FROM THE BLIND-FOLDED IDIOT.

FORGET IT. JUST SHOW ME YOUR SCHOOL I.D.

...BLIND-FOLDED IDIOT...

DON'T THINK I GOT ONE.

BUT I JUST GOT TO JUJUTSU HIGH.

JUJUTSU SORCERERS ARE ASSIGNED GRADES RANGING FROM ONE TO FOUR.

SPECIAL GRADE?!

Tokyo Prefectural Jujutsu High School

(Student ID)

SPECIAL

School Register Number: 100004

Name: Yuta Okkotsu

Date of Birth: 03/07/2001

This certifies the above mentioned is a student of the school

SHP

HERE YOU GO.

WELL, IF YOU HAVE NO EXPERIENCE, I'D GUESS YOU'RE GRADE 4...

ZEN'IN !!

HUH?

!!

!!

SPECIAL GRADE... HIGHER THAN GRADE 1... THIS HAS TO BE SOME KIND OF JOKE!

BEHIND YOU...

VWOOM

DAMMIT!!

VVVV

Yuka

KINDA BIG, AREN'T YA?!

FWPAP

WHA—?!

MWW

AAH

GRRK

KRSHK

VW

OOO

CHOMP

...THANKS FOR THE MEEAAL...

TH- TH- THA...

BAM

I DROPPED MY CURSED TOOL!

DAMMIT!

WOO-

LET US OUTTA HERE!

ONCE THE CURTAIN DEACTIVATES, WE CAN EXPECT HELP.

SO EMBAR-RASSING!

HELP!

WE GOT EATEN?!

INSIDE THE CURSE.

DON'T PASS OUT ON ME.

WHERE ARE WE?

RAHH

I NEVER KNOW WHEN SHE'LL COME OUT!

WHAT'RE WE GONNA DO?!

RAHH RAHH

WHERE'S THAT CURSE OF YOURS WHEN WE NEED IT!

HUH?

HE'S DYING.

PLEASE.

IT'S ONLY A MATTER OF TIME BEFORE THEY DIE.

THE BIGGER KID'S CURSED TOO.

WHEEZE

WHEEZE

PHEW

GOOD! THEY'RE ALIVE.

"YEAH, TWO THAT WE KNOW OF."

"WERE THE KIDS ATTACKED BY A CURSE?"

!

NOT GOOD. TAKE A CLOSER LOOK.

WHAT?! WHAT'RE WE GONNA DO?!

NOTHING! WE WAIT FOR HELP!

SWAT

NOT EVERYONE HAS A RESISTANCE TO CURSES LIKE YOU.

HUH? ZEN'IN?

ZEN'IN?!

THUD

IS IT CURSED?

WHAT'S THIS WOUND?

KRCH KRCH

HELP US!

IS SHE GONNA DIE?

PLEASE ...

BUT...

...I CAN'T.

GRSH

OKKO-TSU.

SERIOUSLY, WHY'D YOU ENROLL...

...AT JUJUTSU HIGH?!

TO DO WHAT?! WHAT'D YOU WANT?

WHAT'D YOU EXPECT?!

I...

I DIDN'T WANT TO HURT ANYBODY ANYMORE.

I COULDN'T DISAGREE.

HE SAID I'D BE LONELY.

BUT...

I TRIED TO RUN AWAY AND DISAPPEAR.

I WANT TO BE RELIED ON BY SOMEBODY!

I WANT TO BE WITH PEOPLE.

I WANT TO BELIEVE...

...THAT IT'S OKAY TO KEEP LIVING.

...EXORCIS-ING...

THEN START...

YOU'LL BE FINE IN DUE TIME.

AS FOR YOUR OWN FEELINGS AND OTHER PEOPLE'S RESPECT...

YOU NEED TO EXORCISE THEM! AND KEEP ON EXORCISING THEM!!

... CURSES.

...JUJUTSU HIGH IS ALL ABOUT!!

THAT'S WHAT...

YEAH?

RIKA.

SNAD

RIP

THUD

FWUN

WOON

LEND ME YOUR POWER.

GRK GRK GRK

SPURT

VRRK

JOLT

VRRM

BLE CH BLE CH

AARGH

AAARGH!

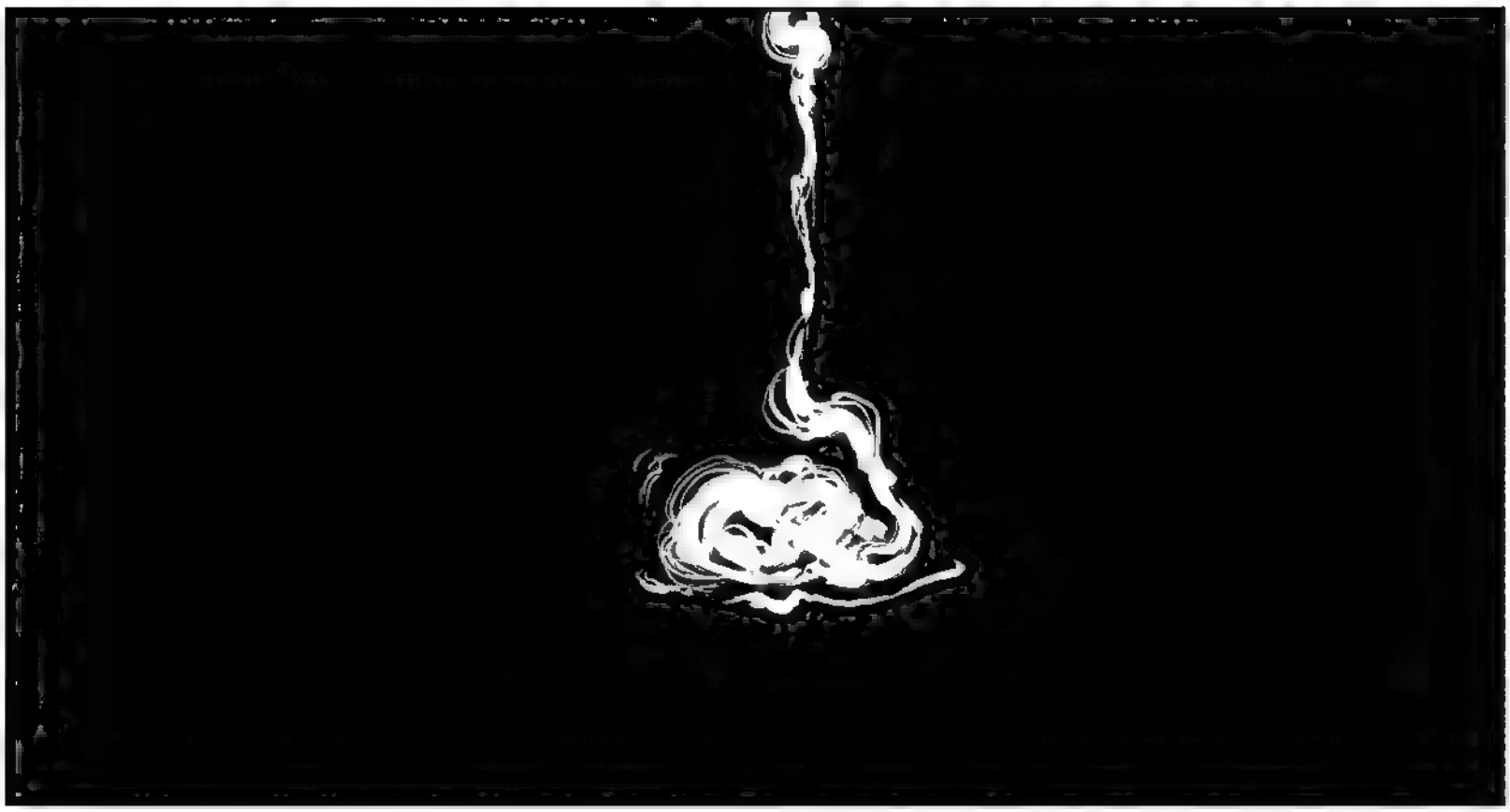
VUM

HUHHH? WHOOO ARE YOU-UU?

GRK GRK GRK

GRCHK

SHUUUT UP!



...OF SPECIAL GRADE VENGEFUL CURSED SPIRIT RIKA ORIMOTO.
SO, THIS IS THE TRUE IDENTITY ...
FREAKY.

SMIRK
RIKA LIKES RRRED.
GLOP

HEH HEH HEH
WOMEN SURE ARE SCARY.

KRSH
KRSH
KRSH
NGH—
KRSH
WHEE-ERE...
...ISSS BLUE?
VUNK
GRCH
THRUK
HUFF!
HUFF!
HUFF
HUFF
EVERY-ONE...
I GOTTA GET EVERY-ONE TO SENSEI...
KRSH...
KRSH...
JUST A LITTLE MORE!

NOT YET!!

DON'T FALL!

GRNK GRNK

...WHILE RIKA IS DISTRACTING THAT CURSE.

NNNGH!

TAMBL TAMBL

QUIVER QUIVER

QUIVER QUIVER

THNK

...THAT NOW'S A GOOD TIME FOR A CHANGE?!

VUNK

HAVEN'T YOU DECIDED...

YEAH.

YOU CAN DO IT, YUTA.

I CAN DO IT!!

FS SHH

WELCOME BACK.

YOU DID IT.

THEY SAID MAKI AND THE KIDS...

...WILL BE FINE.

YOU DON'T LOOK TOO RELIEVED.

GOOD...

I RE-MEMBERED SOMETHING...

...I SUMMONED RIKA.

FOR THE FIRST TIME...

THAT'S A STEP FORWARD THEN.

I SEE.

...GROW UP, WE'LL GET MARRIED.

WHEN YOU AND I...

IT'S A PROMISE.

SURE.

...TOGETHER FOREVER AND EVER.

THAT MEANS WE'LL BE...

MAYBE I'M THE ONE CURSING RIKA INSTEAD.

MAYBE RIKA'S NOT CURSING ME...

I'VE ALWAYS BELIEVED...

...LOVE MANIFESTS THE MOST DISTORTED CURSES.

SENSEI.

GRRRK

I'M GOING TO UNRAVEL...

...RIKA'S CURSE AT JUJUTSU HIGH.

RIKA ORIMOTO

(DECEASED AT THE AGE OF 11)

• Rika's mother died suddenly from unknown causes when Rika was five.

• Two days before entering elementary school, Rika and her father got lost while mountain climbing. One week later, Rika was found alone and rescued from a shelter near the summit.

• At the hospital, she met Yuta, who was being treated for pneumonia. They later ended up going to the same elementary school.

• Her father was never found, and his death has never been confirmed.

• Aware of how her appearance is perceived, Rika sometimes manipulates adults.

• Rika was taken in by her grandmother on her father's side, who strongly believes that Rika killed both her parents.

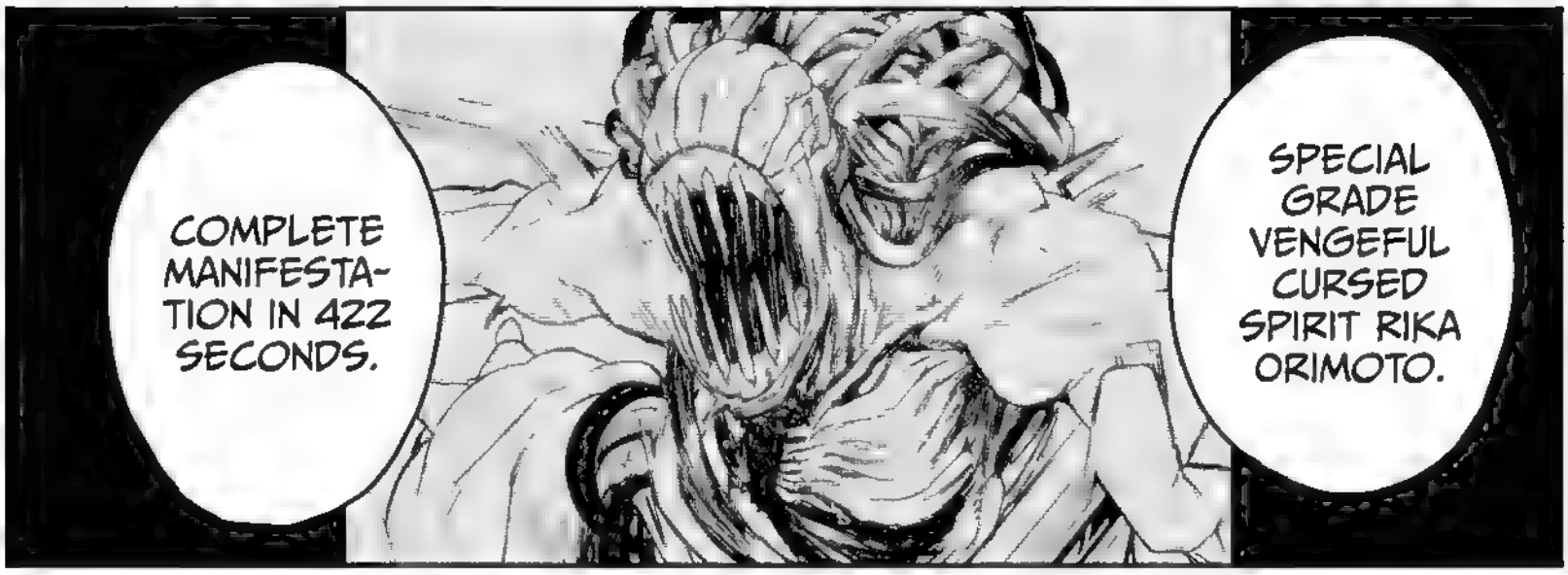
• Rika stole the ring she gave Yuta from her grandmother's dresser. It was her mother's wedding ring.

• When she was human, Rika was very friendly with Yuta's younger sister. However, after becoming a vengeful curse, she became aggressive, which is why Yuta distanced himself from his family.

• She dislikes everyone besides Yuta—especially girls and older guys.

• The thing she dislikes the most in the world is her grandmother's stewed eggplant.

• She loves Yuta.


COMPLETE MANIFESTATION IN 422 SECONDS.
SPECIAL GRADE VENGEFUL CURSED SPIRIT RIKA ORIMOTO.

NO EXCUSES...
...SATORU GOJO.
WE LEFT OKKOTSU WITH YOU PRECISELY TO PREVENT THIS TYPE OF SITUATION.
...I WASN'T PLANNING ON MAKING ANY.
SKRCH SKRCH
WELL, TO BE HONEST...

STOP YOUR NONSENSE!

HAD RIKA ORIMOTO'S RAMPAGE CONTINUED...

...AN ENTIRE TOWN COULD HAVE BEEN DE-STROYED!!

I WOULD'VE RISKED MY LIFE TO STOP THAT.

BUT THERE'S ONE THING I CAN SAY FOR SURE...

WE KNOW NEXT TO NOTHING.

HOW DID THIS GIRL, WHO HAS NO HISTORY OF SORCERY IN HER FAMILY...

...BECOME SUCH AN IMMENSELY STRONG CURSE?

YOU CAN'T CONTROL WHAT YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND.

WHAT WE LEARN WILL COME FROM TRIAL AND ERROR.

PLEASE, LET US BE FOR A WHILE.

DON'T FORGET, YUTA OKKOTSU'S SECRET EXECUTION HAS ONLY BEEN POSTPONED...

IF IT COMES TO THAT...

...DON'T FORGET, I'M ON OKKOTSU'S SIDE.

THOSE OLD FOOLS.

SHEESH.

CHK

DON'T WANNA BECOME LIKE THEM.

I GOTTA BE CAREFUL.

FSH

TRYING TO TAKE AWAY THE BEST YEARS OF YOUR YOUTH LIKE THAT. THERE'S NO WAY I'M GONNA LET THEM DO THAT.

NO MATTER WHO YOU ARE.
TOKYO PREFECTURAL JUJUTSU HIGH...
A PLACE TO LEARN ABOUT CURSES IN ORDER TO EXORCISE THEM.
A SCHOOL FOR JUJUTSU SORCERERS.
CHAPTER 2:
BLACKER AND BLACKER

GET READY, BALDIE.
YES, MA'AM.
PAY ATTENTION.
YES, MA'AM.
SO STRICT!

OH, UM...
WHAP

HEY, HEY, EVERYONE.
HOW'S IT GOIN'?

FWP

YES, MA'AM!

YOU'RE GONNA SCORE A HIT ON ME, RIGHT?

BUT UNRAVELING IT IS A DIFFERENT CASE.

IT'S NEARLY IMPOSSIBLE TO EXORCISE A CURSE AS STRONG AS RIKA.

HOW...?

ANALYZE THE MILLIONS OF KNOTS OF CURSED ENERGY...

...AND UNTIE THEM ONE BY ONE.

ONLY YOU, THE CURSED ONE, CAN DO IT.

USE THIS.

A KATANA...!

THINK OF IT LIKE A PIPE THAT'S ALREADY THERE.

YOUR CONNECTION TO RIKA CAME ABOUT THROUGH THE RING.

A CURSE IS MOST STABLE WHEN POSSESSING AN ITEM.

INVOKE THE CURSE OF RIKA, CHANNEL IT INTO THE KATANA AND CONTROL IT.

THEN REPEAT THAT PROCESS, INCREASE THE ENERGY AND MASTER IT.

WE'RE GONNA REALLY PUT YA THROUGH THE WRINGER.

AFTER ALL, YOU'RE SUPER WEAK.

FOR YOU AND HER.

DO THIS, AND A BRIGHT, FREE FUTURE AWAITS.

...WHILE...

... LEARNING HOW TO SWORD FIGHT, OKAY?

MASTER CHANNELING THE CURSE INTO YOUR KATANA...

FWIP

FWIM

FWNG

KSH

KSH

KSH

GTUNK

!

BUT SHE'S OFF-BALANCE!

SHE DODGED IT!

FWSH

I'LL GET HER WHEN SHE LANDS!

VUP

VUP

NO WAY!!

ACK!

SMP

FWAH

SHOP

I WIN AGAIN.

HEH

THROB THROB

WHAT WAS THAT LAST HIT FOR?

DONK

GAH!

AAAND YOU'RE DEAD.

...WHEN THERE ARE CONSEQUENCES TO SUFFER.

WE IMPROVE MORE QUICKLY...

DON'T GET COMPLACENT. ACT LIKE THIS IS A REAL FIGHT.

I'M HERE TO UNRAVEL RIKA'S CURSE!

...PLEASE!!

ONE MORE TIME...

THAT'S RIGHT...

BAM

HE'S MORE POSITIVE TOO.

HE'S MOVIN' A LOT BETTER.

SAL-MON.

IT'S BEEN THREE MONTHS SINCE YUTA JOINED US.

EUREKA!

MAKI ALSO LOOKS HAPPY...

...BECAUSE THERE USED TO BE NO OTHER WEAPON USER—

SALTED FISH ROE.

LISTEN UP—IT'S SOMETHING SUPER IMPORTANT!

YEAH, PANDA?

GET OVER HERE!!

C'MON!

YUTA!!

WHY NOW?!

DO YOU LIKE BIG BOOBS? OR SMALLER ONES?

THINGS ARE LOOKIN' GOOD.

CHATTER

MM-HM.

I DON'T REALLY HAVE A PREFER-ENCE, BUT...

MAYBE MEDIUM-SIZED...

GOOOT-CHA.

YEAH?

MAKI!

YOU'RE DEAD MEAT! THE WORLD WILDLIFE FUND AIN'T GONNA SAVE YOU HERE!!

DON'T BE EMBAR-RASSED!! WHAT'RE YOU, A KID?!

GRAAHHH

WHAT'RE YOU GOING ON ABOUT?! I'LL KILL YA!

GATHER UP.

...AND I'M A BIT SCARED OF HIM.

I STILL DON'T KNOW MUCH ABOUT INUMAKI ...

CLAP

CLAP

WHAT'RE YOU GUYS TALKIN' ABOUT?

HA HA.

...

KELP...

TOGE.

GRK GRK GRK GRK GR

...

YOU TWO KEEP TRAINING.

ASSIGNED?

HE'S THE LONE GRADE 2 AMONG THE FIRST-YEARS.

HE EVEN GETS SOLO MISSIONS.

...YOU'RE THE BEST SUITED FOR THIS. TAKE CARE OF IT.

SAL-MON.

A CURSE HAS BEEN SPECIFICALLY ASSIGNED TO YOU BECAUSE...

SUPPORT TOGE.

GO WITH HIM, YUTA.

YOU'RE SPECIAL GRADE.

WOW! THAT'S AMAZING.

EVERY SORCERER IS UNIQUE.

AND THERE'RE JUST AS MANY DIFFERENT EXORCIST TECHNIQUES AS WELL.

WATCH AND LEARN.

SUP-PORT ...?

TRY TO LEARN WHAT YOU CAN.

TOGE'S CURSED SPEECH IS A GOOD EXAMPLE.

SO NERVOUS ...

MY FIRST FIELD WORK... WAIT, MY SECOND?

HM?

TAP

TAP

UNRAVELING CURSES REQUIRES UNDER-STANDING CURSES.

SALMON.

JOLT

I'M SORRY ...?

ER... UM...

HEY, YUTA.

YES?

...

THERE'S ONLY ONE THING YOU SHOULD BE CONCERNED ABOUT...

!

IT'S A MISSION THAT'S EASY ENOUGH FOR TOGE TO HANDLE ALONE, SO RELAX.

SORRY, I CAN'T GO WITH YOU GUYS.

THERE'S NO GUARANTEE SHE'LL CALM DOWN LIKE LAST TIME.

ONLY USE AS MUCH OF RIKA'S POWER AS YOU CAN THROUGH THE SWORD.

GULP...

DON'T LET RIKA OUT.

...YOU AND I WILL BE DISPOSED OF!!

HEH HEH

SMAK

IF SHE MANIFESTS AGAIN...

WE'RE HERE.

KREEK

PRESSURE

WHA—?!

WHY PUT ALL THIS PRESSURE ON ME NOW?!

WOOOO

THERE ARE PLANS TO DEMOLISH THIS ENTIRE AREA TO BUILD A LARGE SHOPPING MALL.

ALSO A CHAUFFEUR

HAPINA SHOPPING CENTER. IT'S NOW PRETTY MUCH ABANDONED.

JUJUTSU HIGH
ASSISTANT MANAGER
KIYOTAKA IJICHI

WHAT?!

WHERE'S SORCERER INUMAKI?!

POOF

AN INSPECTION REVEALED A GROUP OF LOW-LEVEL CURSES.

GRADE 2 SORCERER INUMAKI, YOUR JOB IS TO EXORCISE THOSE CURSES.

HE'S SHOPPING!

THANKS FOR COMING.

THROAT MEDICINE?

Throat Medicine

WHAT DIDJA BUY?

!

RSTL

RSTL

HENCE THE REQUEST FOR AN EXORCISM NOW.

BUILDINGS CAN BECOME A NUISANCE LATER ON BECAUSE OF THEIR PAST HISTORY.

SALMON.

GOOD LUCK!

KRP

I'LL CAST A CURTAIN.

VWOOOM

MUTTER

MUTTER

SPICED COD ROE.

CURSES... HE SAID A GROUP OF LOW-LEVEL ONES, RIGHT?

MURMUR

LET'S TRADE THAT FOR A NEW ONE.

MURMUR

SMELLS OF FRA-GRANT OLIVE.

WE HAVE A LOST CHILD.

MURMUR

NO FAIR, MOM...

WHY DOES HE GET MORE?

FWOOSH

IF WE ALL GO TOGETHER, THERE'S NOTHING TO FEAR.

INUMAKI ...?!

FSH

BUT STILL.

"CURSES TEAM UP IF THEY ARE WEAK."

THERE'S SO MANY.

DON'T GET TOO CLOSE...

EXPLODE.

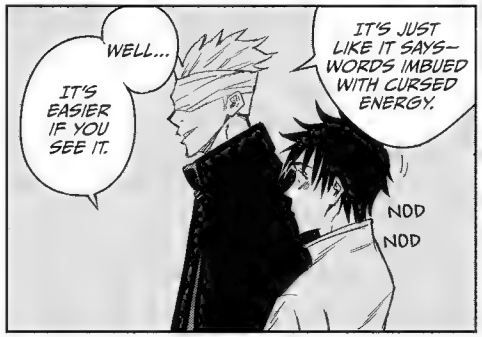
BAM
BO OM
BOOM-BOOM

KA
K

OH RIGHT, WE'RE DONE.
HUH?
FWIP

TRUE... IT'S EASIER TO UNDER-STAND IF I SEE IT!
TUK TUK TUK

WHAT'S CURSED SPEECH OR JUGON?
JUGONG.
GWOOM


WELL... IT'S EASIER IF YOU SEE IT.
IT'S JUST LIKE IT SAYS— WORDS IMBUED WITH CURSED ENERGY.
NOD
NOD

HIS VOICE IS SO HOARSE!
TUNA MAYO.

FSHHH...

THE POWER'S INCREDIBLE, BUT THERE ARE CONSEQUENCES.

SO THAT'S WHAT THE THROAT MEDICINE'S FOR.

THE CURTAIN'S STILL THERE.

YOU'RE RIGHT.

WE CAN'T GET OUT.

WHAT'S WRONG?

FISH FLAKES!

SHUWUM

ZOMBA.

THIS CURSE... SOMETHING ABOUT IT IS DIFFERENT FROM ANY I'VE SEEN BEFORE...

ACK!

TOMP

VWEEE

?

WHOOM

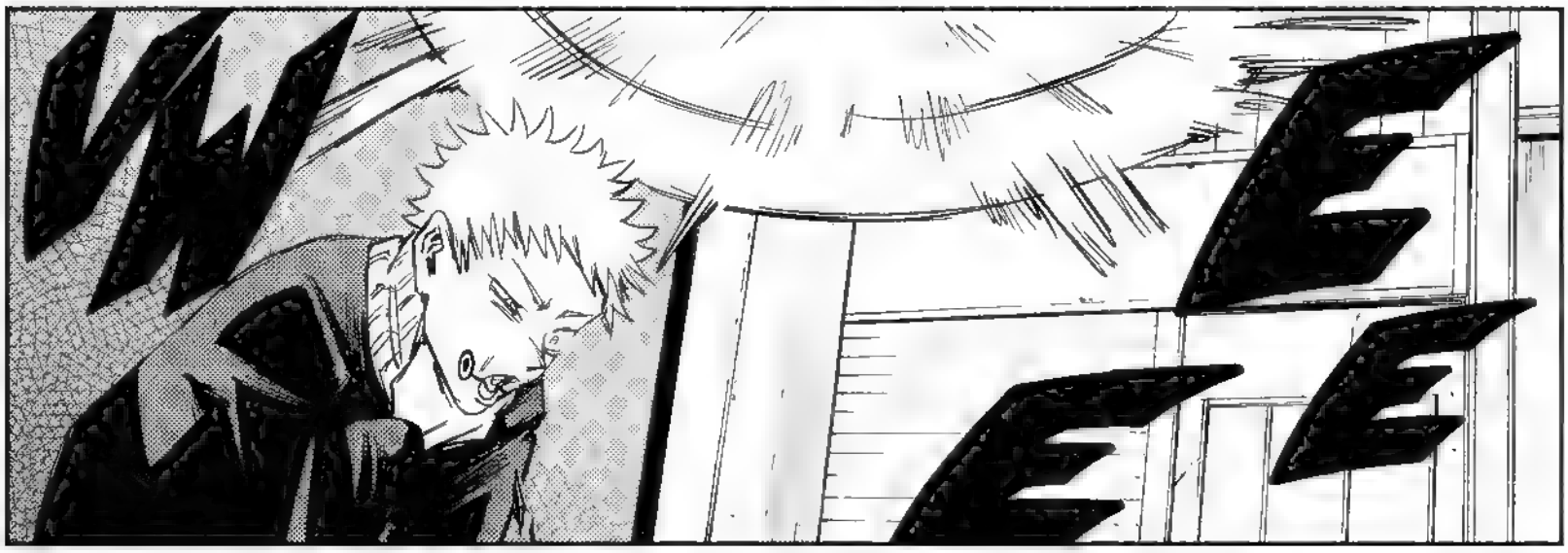
GET TWISTED.

KRAK

INU-MAKI !!

KOFF!
KOFF!
KOFF!

GRK
GRK
GRK
GRK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FUFWUP
WHOOM

KLNK KLNK

W-W-WHA...

SHF SHF

WHAT IS... ...THAT?!

KLINK

Throat Medicine

OH! YOU'RE HURT...

IS YOUR FINGER OKAY?

A CURSE...

BUT IS IT A LOW-LEVEL ONE...?

THIS ISN'T WHAT WE WERE TOLD!

...IT'S WAY SCARIER THAN THE ONE AT THE SCHOOL.

EVEN THOUGH IT'S SMALLER...

PEEK

THAL-MON.

KRAK

AH! YOU SURE THAT'S OKAY?!

SORRY.

IT'S MY FAULT...

BUT...

IT'S NOT REALLY CHASING AFTER US.

KSH

...DOES THAT MEAN WE HAVE TO EXORCISE IT?

AS LONG AS THE CURTAIN'S STILL THERE...

TP
IS IT OKAY FOR YOU TO BE MOVING SO SOON?

SWAY
SWAY
INUMAKI!

HALT
KELP.
!

YOU WANT TO GO ALONE?

KOFF!

UH...

THANK YOU, INU-MAKI.

BUT I'M OKAY.

GRRK

LET'S DO THIS TOGETHER!

FSH

GEET IIIT, YUUUTA.

GUH?

GUH.

GUH-HH...

OOOM

GUUUUUHHHH

IT'S EVEN SCARIER NOW!

IT GOT ANGRY! BUT WHY?!

The reason: Rika

BZZ

BZZ

BZZ

!

SHOOP

CHANNEL THE CURSE INTO THE BLADE...

KWEEE

KEEP MOVING.

FWOO

DON'T LOOK AWAY.

WHOOM

VUP VWUP

RM RM RM

FWHAP

KSHH

RMB

...YOU SPEAK USING HARMLESS RICE BALL INGREDIENTS, RIGHT?

SKRCH SKRCH

TO KEEP FROM CURSING PEOPLE UNNECESSARILY...

INUMAKI, YOU'RE KIND.

TRYING TO KEEP ME AWAY FROM DANGER.

YOU SAVED ME TODAY TOO.

...YOU WERE JUST TRYING TO CALM ME DOWN, WEREN'T YOU?

BACK THEN, WHEN I WAS NERVOUS...

WO WHOOM FWOOSH

KN KS HH

SLASH

ZORA.

SHK

TOO SHALLOW.

ITS SKIN'S SO TOUGH TOO!

I'M STILL NO MATCH FOR THIS CURSE.

HH

!

OOH

KS

SHHH

BUT!

INU-
MAKI!

SHP

Throat
Medicine

FWIP

TOMP

SHUP

KRAK

GLUG GLUG GLUG

...TO COME THROUGH!

IT'S NOW MY TURN...

KSSHH

GET

CRUSHED

!!!

GR

K..

BAH?

GRR

CHK

IT JUST GRAZED ME.

YEAH, I'M FINE.

WOW...

LEAF MUSTARD!

SALMON.

FWP

OAP

YEAH! NICE JOB!

I WON'T BE ABLE TO STAY AT JUJUTSU HIGH ANYMORE.

...I'LL RETURN TO BEING A NORMAL PERSON.

WHEN I UNRAVEL RIKA'S CURSE...

AH.

THE CURTAIN'S STILL...

BUT I WANNA BE USEFUL TO EVERYONE UNTIL THEN.

TOO BAD.

I WAS HOPING I'D GET TO SEE THE FAMOUS RIKA.

CAN'T WAIT TO MEET YOU.

GRCH!

SPECIAL GRADE AS WELL.

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Yuta Okkotsu

I SHOULD RETURN THIS TOO.

VWUP

HE'S BEEN THROUGH A LOT.

FSHH

TOGE'S BEEN ABLE TO USE CURSED SPEECH SINCE BIRTH.

HE'S BEEN THINKING OF HOW TO HELP YOU SINCE YOU GOT HERE.

YOU TWO ARE SIMILAR IN THAT SENSE.

!

CURSING PEOPLE BY ACCIDENT AND SUCH.

I'M THE ONE—

OF COURSE!

WHAK

PLEASE BE NICE TO HIM, OKAY?

HE'S A GREAT GUY, JUST MISUNDER-STOOD.

STOP LAUGHING, PANDA! I'M GONNA KILL YA!

HEH HEH HEH

OH. RIGHT.

C'MON! TIME FOR TRAINING!!

DON'T ASK ME...

...ABOUT CURSED ENERGY.

HUH?

UM... MAKI.

ANY SUG-GESTIONS?

NONE.

ABOUT CHANNELING CURSED ENERGY INTO MY BLADE...

MY DEEPEST APOLO-GIES.

?

SOME-BODY CAST ANOTHER CURTAIN ON TOP OF MINE.

I ACCEPT FULL RESPON-SIBILITY FOR THIS...

NO. THE ENEMY IS TOO STRONG.

IN ADDITION, THERE WAS AN UNIDENTIFIED SEMI-GRADE 1 CURSE.

DO YOU KNOW ...

...

...WHO'S BEHIND THIS?

SUGURU GETO.

OF THE FOUR SPECIAL GRADES, ONE IS...

...CONSIDERED THE WORST OF ALL CURSE USERS...

HE WAS EXPELLED FROM JUJUTSU HIGH, AND HE'S KILLED OVER A HUNDRED CIVILIANS.

Inumaki's Words

Salmon is an affirmative, and fish flakes is a negative. Everything else is gibberish.

RIGHT, MS. SATO?

YES, BUT, *UM*, MY NAME IS SAITO.

YOU THINK YOUR DAUGHTER IS CURSED...

SO...

THAT'S WHAT I DECIDED.

SATO IS BETTER.

RIGHT...

NOPE, YOU'RE SATO.

IT'S ALMOST AS IF YOU'VE FORGOTTEN HOW TO BREATHE.

LIKE YOUR SHOULDERS FEEL HEAVY AND BREATHING IS PAINFUL.

BUT YOU'VE BEEN LOSING SLEEP.

MOM, LET'S GO.

THIS HAS TO BE A SCAM...

YOU FEEL LIKE SOMETHING'S ALWAYS WATCHING YOU, RIGHT?

YOU ALSO HAVE DREAMS OF BEING VIOLATED.

GLOOP

!

VWOON VWOON

DON'T MOVE.

HOW DO YOU KNOW THAT...?

I FEEL SO MUCH BETTER!

SHWP

SHLU MP

HUH? NO WAY!

WE MUST ALL HELP EACH OTHER.

PLEASE.

WE TRULY HAVE NOTHING BUT GRATITUDE FOR YOU.

LIKE BUDDHA, HUH? WELL SAID.

YEAH ...

SEE? HE'S LIKE BUDDHA HIMSELF.

TUG TUG

HO HO HO

COME AGAIN ANYTIME.

!

THERE'S THE REAL YOU...

MASTER GETO.

COMING FROM A MONKEY WHO CAN'T EVEN USE JUJUTSU...

IN THE MEETING ROOM.

THE COMMANDERS ARE HERE.

CAN'T HAVE THAT MONKEY STENCH SPREADING.

PSHH

PSHH

DISINFECTING.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING?

GETO!

GET OUT HERE!

KSHAK

KSHAK

RIGHT HERE.

WHERE'S THE SLR CAMERA?

LET'S TAKE A GROUP PHOTO!

SHUP

I'M SO HAPPY. IT'S BEEN A WHILE SINCE WE ALL GOT TOGETHER.

HELLO, MR. KANE-MORI.

WHAT'S THE RUSH?

HEY!!

GETO!!

THUK THUK

JUST LOOKIT THE AMOUNT I'VE PAID YOU!!

WHY YOU—! HURRY AND EXORCISE MY CURSE!!

WHEENZE WHEENZE

WHAT... ARE YOU...?!

HM... WE'RE DONE THEN.

NO DONATIONS IN SIX MONTHS THOUGH.

ABOUT 150 MILLION YEN.

HOW MUCH?

AND CURSE-COLLECTING MONKEYS.

YOU'RE THE FORMER.

MONEY-COLLECTING MONKEYS.

...HAVE THEIR ROLES.

MONKEYS ...

AHHH

GSHNK

WHY YOU...

GULP

SNAP

NO MONEY. NO USE.

SUCK. SUCK.

SUCK.

SUCK.

SEE? NON-SORCERERS ARE JUST MONKEYS.

ARE WE REALLY THE SAME RACE?

SPLACH

MGHH!!

GRCH

GH GH.

MGGHH!!

KAIZEN

MY FAMILY...

THE TIME HAS COME.

THE AGE OF MONKEYS IS OVER.

IT IS NOW TIME TO REALIZE THE AGE OF JUJUTSU SORCERERS.

CHAPTER 3: PUNISHMENT FOR THE WEAK

I'VE GOT A BAD FEELING...

IT'S JUST YOUR IMAGI-NATION.

YEAH, FOR SURE.

FISH FLAKES.

WAIT, BUT GUYS...

YOUR AWARENESS OF CURSED ENERGY IS WHACK.

WAVE WAVE

SINCE RIKA'S WITH YOU ALL THE TIME, YOUR SENSES ARE OFF.

TUNA.

WE STILL CAN'T CONFIRM GETO'S INVOLVE-MENT.

MAYBE YOU'RE JUST BEING PARANOID.

SORRY PRINCIPAL, BUT I'M SURE ABOUT THIS.

...I WOULD MISTAKE HIS RESID-UALS.

THERE'S NO WAY THAT...

I WENT TO THE SCENE MYSELF.

JUJUTSU HIGH
PRINCIPAL
MASAMICHI YAGA

JOLT

GOD-DAMN!

GATHER ALL SORCERERS SEMI-GRADE 1 AND ABOVE AT THE FRONT GATE!

VWUM

SPEAK OF THE DEVIL!!

FOOWOOSH FOOWOOSH

?

YUTA'S RIGHT.

WOULDN'T YOU KNOW IT.

DUHHH

WOW, THAT'S ONE BIG BIRD.

SALTED FISH ROE.

FWP

I'VE NEVER SEEN A CURSE LIKE THAT.

KRAK

IT'S AN INTRUDER... RIGHT?

SHUP

WHOA, MASTER GETO, IS THIS TOKYO?!

SO COUNTRY!

VLUP

STILL THE SAME AS EVER.

HURRY UP AND GET DOWN!

AREN'T YOU COLD?

YOU THINK SO TOO, RIGHT?

WHAT?

THAT WAS RUDE ...

NANA-KO...

KELP !!

WHAT?!

MR. YUTA WON'T FORGIVE INTRUDERS!

SHOO SHOO

WHO ARE YOU?

WHAT?!

GET OUT BEFORE MR. YUTA KNOCKS YA OUT!

WOW! IT'S A PANDA! SO CUUUTE!!

WHO... ARE THEY...?

KLIK

KLIK

I'M SUGURU GETO.

SHP

NICE TO MEET YOU, OKKOTSU.

OH, *UM*, NICE TO MEET YOU.

SO FAST!!

JUJUTSU SORCERERS ARE FORCED TO WORK IN THE SHADOWS TO PROTECT SOCIETY.

DO YOU SEE ANYTHING WRONG WITH THE WORLD TODAY?

?

I THINK GREAT POWER SHOULD BE USED FOR GREAT ENDEAVORS.

YOU HAVE QUITE THE FANTASTIC POWER.

IT'S DE-PLORABLE!

GRSH

...IT'S A PARADOX IN WHICH THE STRONG MUST SUBMIT TO THE WEAK.

YOU SEE...

RIGHT...

SO, I'D LIKE YOUR HELP.

?

WITH WHAT ...?

IT'S ABOUT TIME WE TAKE ANOTHER LOOK AT HUMANITY'S SURVIVAL.

SUCH UTTER NON-SENSE!

HUMANITY HAS HINDERED THEIR OWN EVOLUTION.

WHAT IS HE...

...TALKING ABOUT?

...REALIZING A WORLD WITH ONLY JUJUTSU SORCER-ERS!!

KILLING ALL NON-SORCER-ERS AND...

IT'S BEEN SO LONG!

SATO-RU!

NOW, NOW, DON'T BE SPOUTING CRAZY TALK TO MY STUDENTS.

...SUGURU.

STEP AWAY FROM THEM...

SO, THEY'RE UNDER YOUR CARE.

I SEE.

I HEARD ABOUT THE EXCELLENT FIRST-YEARS.

AND...

A CURSED SPEECH USER DESCEN-DANT.

AN ABRUPT-MUTATION CURSED CORPSE.

A SPECIAL GRADE CURSED HUMAN.

CAREFUL WHAT YOU SAY NOW.

WHY YOU—

THE ZEN'IN FAMILY FAILURE.

...A MONKEY LIKE YOU IN MY WORLD.

I DON'T NEED...

WHAP

I'M NOT SURE YET WHAT YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT.

BUT...

SORRY.

I'M NOT GONNA HELP SOMEONE...

...WHO TALKS DOWN TO MY FRIENDS!!

...WHY DID YOU COME HERE?

VOON

SO THEN...

I DIDN'T INTEND TO UPSET YOU.

MY APOLO-GIES.

LISTEN UP!

TO ALL THOSE GATHERED HERE!

TO DECLARE WAR.

THE NIGHT PARADE OF A HUNDRED DEMONS WILL COMMENCE!!

THIS DECEMBER 24!

AT SUN-DOWN!

AND AT JUJUTSU'S SACRED LAND, KYOTO!!

...SHIN-JUKU IN TOKYO!!

THIS WILL TAKE PLACE AT THE CRU-CIBLE FOR CURSES...

...PUT YOUR LIVES ON THE LINE AND FIGHT!

IF YOU WANT TO AVOID THIS IMPENDING HELL...

OF COURSE, THEY'LL BE ISSUED ORDERS TO MASSACRE.

I WILL RELEASE A THOUSAND CURSES AT EACH LOCATION.

...TO OUR HEARTS' CONTENT!

LET'S CURSE EACH OTHER...

SORRY, SATORU.

GOING SOMEWHERE WITH SO MANY MONKEYS... WHAT'S THE—

ZOONK

AHHH! MASTER GETO, THE STORE'S CLOSING SOON!!

LEAVING? NOT ON MY WATCH.

BUT AS FOR ALL THOSE MONKEYS OVER THERE...

I'LL BE ON MY WAY.

THE GIRLS WANT TO TRY THE CREPE SHOP ON TAKESHITA STREET.

HURRY UP!

DON'T TRY IT.

OOM

WO

YOUR PRECIOUS STUDENTS ...
...ARE ALL WITHIN MY RANGE.

WELL THEN, EVERY-ONE...
WAVE WAVE
SEE YOU ON THE BATTLE-FIELD.

VRUMU

A SPECIAL GRADE CURSE USER WHO POSSESSES THE CURSE MANIPULATION TECHNIQUE.

SUGURU GETO.

*A CURSE USER IS A JUJUTSU SORCERER WHO USES JUJUTSU FOR KILLING AND MALICIOUS DEEDS.

HE HAS AMASSED A HUGE NUMBER OF CURSES...

...BY USING HIS RELIGIOUS GROUP AS A LURE.

HE RECRUITS VAGABOND CURSES AND CONTROLS THEM.

IT'S HARD TO IMAGINE HIM STARTING A WAR HE CAN'T WIN.

THAT'S THE SCARY PART.

GOD-DAMN!

TWO THOUSAND MAY NOT BE A BLUFF.

THAT'S IN ADDITION TO THE CURSES HE ALREADY POSSESSES.

THE NUMBER OF JUJUTSU SORCERERS IS SO, TOPS.

EVEN SO, MOST OF 'EM ARE PROBABLY GRADE 2 OR LESS.

WE'LL ALSO ASK FOR HELP FROM THE AINU JUJUTSU SOCIETY.

!!

SHAH...

ALL ALUMNI.

THE BIG THREE FAMILIES.

THIS TIME, WE EXORCISE ...

...THE CURSE KNOWN AS SUGURU GETO!

IT'S ALL-OUT WAR-FARE!

"THIS TIME, WE EXORCISE ...

..."THE CURSE KNOWN AS SUGURU GETO!"

"IT'S ALL-OUT WARFARE!"

...THAT MUSCLE-HEADED PRINCIPAL'S SAYING.

DECEMBER 24
THE DAY OF THE NIGHT PARADE OF A HUNDRED DEMONS

I BET THAT'S WHAT...

...GOES UP TO 99...

BUT THE PROBA-BILITY...

...WITH ONE MOVE.

...THEN THAT GOES DOWN TO LESS THAN 20.

IF THE JUJUTSU SOCIETY GETS INVOLVED ...

...ARE 30 PERCENT.

OUR CHANCES OF WINNING THIS WAR...

...AND TAKE THE SPECIAL GRADE VENGEFUL CURSED SPIRIT RIKA ORIMOTO.

KILL YUTA OKKOTSU...

IN THIS BATTLE, JUJUTSU HIGH WON'T RISK USING OKKOTSU.

WORST CASE, BOTH SIDES WILL SUFFER CASUALTIES.

HOW FORTU-NATE.

THEY STILL BELIEVE THE BLUFF I MADE AS A STUDENT.

...WHO KILLS THE MASTER...

...I CAN ABSORB THE CURSE.

HIYAH!

AS LONG AS I'M THE ONE...

RIKA

TONIGHT'S TRUE OBJEC-TIVE...

...IS TO ISOLATE OKKOTSU.

KRSH KRSH

WELL THEN...

...LET THE NEW AGE BEGIN.

Jujutsu High

BAM

OH MAN...

WHAT A DRAG.

ALOONE

I'VE JUST HAD A LOT ON MY MIND.

WHY'RE YOU HERE? SCHOOL'S CLOSED THIS WEEK.

NOBODY'S AT THE DORMS EITHER.

KTNK

JOLT

MAKI.

...HE'S PROBABLY IN SHINJUKU TOO.

THE PRINCIPAL LIKES PANDA, SO...

I SEE.

TOGE IS HELPING THE THIRD- AND FOURTH-YEARS IN SHINJUKU.

THE SECOND-YEARS ARE IN KYOTO TOO.

UM... WELL...

YEAH ...

WHY I'M CALLED A FAILURE.

YOU'VE BEEN WONDER-ING, RIGHT?

HUH?!

ASK AWAY.

HMMMMMM

UH... I'M NOT SURE...

DO YOU KNOW... ...WHAT THE MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR BEING A JUJUTSU SORCERER ARE?

THE ZEN'IN FAMILY ...

...IS ONE OF THE BIG THREE JUJUTSU FAMILIES.

CIVILIANS CAN SOMETIMES SEE THEM IN CERTAIN SITUATIONS, LIKE LIFE-OR-DEATH ONES.

OH, RIGHT!

YOU HAVE TO BE ABLE TO "SEE" CURSES.

THE FOOD WAS GROSS. THE ROOMS SMALL. A BUNCH OF WEIRD OLD GUYS JUST WALKING AROUND!

BUT IT GAVE ME A GOOD EXCUSE TO LEAVE THAT FAMILY!

IT WAS THE WORST!

...I CAN'T SEE CURSES.

WITHOUT THESE LAME GLASSES...

IT DOESN'T COME FROM ME.

THE TOOLS I USE ARE ALREADY INFUSED WITH CURSED ENERGY...

I WANNA BECOME A GRADE 1 SORCERER ...

...TO STICK IT TO MY FAMILY!

I'VE GOT A BAD PERSON-ALITY.

"DON'T CALL ME BY MY LAST NAME!"

"DON'T ASK ME ABOUT CURSED ENERGY."

"NOT EVERY-ONE HAS A RESISTANCE TO CURSES LIKE YOU."

THEN, WHY DO YOU...

...CONTINUE BEING A SORCER-ER?

SORRY...

...BUT THAT'S VERY LIKE YOU.

WHAT?

AND I PLAN TO TURN EVERYTHING UPSIDE DOWN...

STRONG AND RESILIENT.

I WANT TO BE LIKE THAT.

"I WISH YOU WERE NEVER BORN."

"THE ZEN'IN FAMILY'S STAIN!"

"DON'T BE LIKE MAKI, OKAY?"

I WANT...

...TO BE LIKE YOU.

I GOTTA DO IT ON MY OWN.

IDIOT.

GAH!

LET'S CRUSH THE ZEN'IN FAMILY!

HA HA HA!

IF THERE'S ANYTHING I CAN DO TO HELP, LET ME KNOW!

I'M SUCH AN IDIOT.

...

TUNK...

KTNK

GOING BACK TO MY ROOM.

OKAY.

SEE YA LATER.

DON'T GO THINKING YOU'VE BEEN RECOGNIZED OR SOMETHING.

PURIFY THAT WHICH IS IMPURE.

EMERGE FROM DARKNESS, BLACKER THAN DARKNESS.

!!

GLP GLP GLP GLP GLP GLP

A CURTAIN'S FORMING AROUND THE SCHOOL!

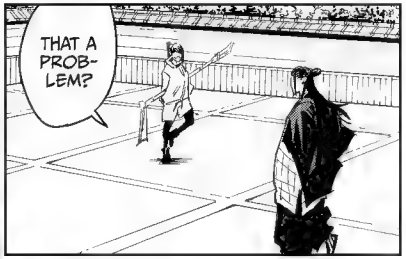
WHY?!

WHO ...?

SHINJUKU, TOKYO...

SO... YOU'RE HERE.
AND UNTIL GETO FINISHES HIS WORK...
SLOW AND STEADY.
...WE'LL HAVE SOME FUN.

KRRK
KRRK
KRRK
KRRK
SORRY. I DON'T HAVE THE TIME TO WASTE ON A MONKEY.


THAT A PROB-LEM?

THE QUESTION SHOULD BE, WHY ARE YOU HERE?

I SEE...
...BANDAGE GUY.

THAT GUY...
...LOOKS LIKE HE'D BE A PAIN IN THE ASS.

I'LL SAY IT AGAIN—
I KNOW.
WE'RE HERE TO BUY TIME.
YES. I'LL DISTRACT THE OTHERS.

I'VE GOT...

IS SOMETHING WRONG?

HM.

TOMP

GOJO!

NOTHING.

WHAT'S UP?

IS HE AT KYOTO? IF SO, THE KYOTO TEAM WOULD'VE LET US KNOW.

THAT SHOW-OFF ISN'T AT THE FRONT-LINES?

TOGE!

PANDA!

IT'S ABOUT YOUR REQUEST REGARDING OKKOTSU.

I KNOW THE TIMING'S NOT GOOD, BUT I THOUGHT THE EARLIER THE BETTER.

I'M SENDING YOU TWO TO JUJUTSU HIGH!

WHAT—

NO QUES-TIONS!

HUH?!

...WORST CASE, MAKI AND YUTA WILL DIE!

!!

IF I'M RIGHT...

FOR SURE! MAYBE! DEFINITE-LY!

GETO IS AT JUJUTSU HIGH.

KRSSH!

WHICH IS IT?!

GOT IT!

SALMON !!

SORRY! BUT PROTECT THEM WITH YOUR LIVES!

I'LL GO AS SOON AS I'M DONE HERE.

FWAP

KRASH

THAT'S WHY I SAID IT WOULD BE GOOD TO PREPARE A STAND-IN.

DID THEY NOTICE ?!

IT CAN'T BE!

!!

WHAAAT?

WE'RE GOING AHEAD OF SCHEDULE.

EN-GAGE!

A HALF-ASSED DOUBLE IS USELESS.

MASTER GETO SAID SO, REMEMBER?

MIMIKO! NANAKO!

HEY, SPECIAL GRADE.

YOUR OPPONENT...

KRSHNK

...IS ME!

SORRY, BUT...

HERE WE GO!

GR AAAH

...I'M BUSY RIGHT NOW.

BWWSH

WW

THEN WE'LL TAKE THE *SHORTEST* ROUTE!

I'LL BREAK THE CURTAIN!

SPICED COD ROE!

OO

IS SATORU RIGHT?!

THERE'S A CURTAIN!

OH?!

JOLT

SHOULD I WAIT OR IGNORE THEM?

IT'LL TAKE THEM ABOUT FIVE MINUTES TO GET HERE.

WHAT TO DO ...?

SOMEBODY OPENED A HOLE IN THE CURTAIN.

PLANS ALWAYS HAVE MINOR SETBACKS, DON'T THEY?

MMM

VWAK VWAK VWAK VWAK

...THE SHORTEST WAY HERE?!

BREAKING THROUGH WALLS TO TAKE...

GLAK GLAK

NOT BAD.

KRRAK

PAY AT-TENTION.

!

MAKI!!

WHAM

TMP

TOGE!!

HE'S GOOD AT HAND-TO-HAND COMBAT TOO?!

GRRRK

PAY AT-TENTION.

!

GRSH

CRUMBLE ...

... AWAY...

!!!

GLOP

GLOP

GLOP

RMBL..

YEAH, MAKI FIRST.

SAL-MON... ROE.

VWOOC

TOGE! ARE YOU OKAY?!

RM BL

WHOA!

ANOTHER EARTH-QUAKE?

WHAT'S GOING ON?

SPLEND I D !

SPLEND I D !!

I AM SO IMMENSE-LY...

...MOVED RIGHT NOW!

YOU CAME TO RESCUE OKKOTSU, CORRECT?!

SORCER-ERS RISKING THEIR LIVES...

...TO SAVE ANOTHER SORCERER!

AFFECTION! ADMIRATION!

...RIGHT BEFORE MY VERY EYES!

THE WORLD I'VE LONGED FOR...

MAKI?

I REALLY WANTED FOR YOU TO LIVE...

...OKKO-TSU.

BUT THIS IS FOR THE FUTURE OF JUJUTSU.

!

YUUDA...

PANDA...

INU-MAKI!!

RUN...

...AWAY.

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COME
!!
RIKA
!!!
GUM

SPECIAL GRADE VENGEFUL CURSED SPIRIT RIKA ORIMOTO COMPLETELY MANIFESTED FOR THE SECOND TIME.

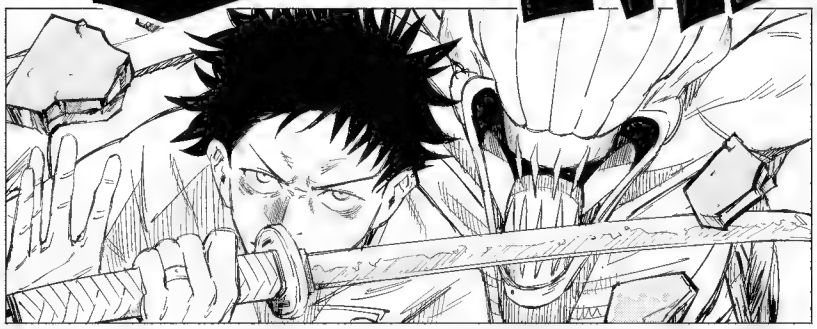
I THOUGHT I WAS GONNA GET THE SPOTLIGHT IN CHAPTER 3...
SORRY...

Final Chapter:
Bright Darkness

BAAM

BOOM
GRRAK
GONK
DUN
DUN
DUN
DUN

KRIK



WOOO

...RIKA.

VUN VUN VUN VUN

LET'S START WITH QUANTITY OVER QUALITY.

MAKE YOUR MOVE ...

...QUEEN OF CURSES...

FSH

THUD THUD

THUD

I WON'T LET YOU DIE!

VWOON

ESPE-CIALLY MAKI...

ALL THREE ARE REALLY HURT.

FWOOO

NO FAIR.

NO FAIR.

THINK-ING ONLY OF YOU!!

THINKING ONLY OF YOU!!

HANDLE HER GENTLY.

AS IF SHE WERE...

KRRRK

...A BUTTER-FLY OR FLOWER!

WHAT'RE YOU DOING...

...RIKA?

JOLT

I OWE HER MY LIFE.

I'M SORRY.

I'M SORRY!

VUP VUP

AGH...

AGH...

DON'T HATE ME...

I WON'T. DON'T WORRY.

PLIP PLIP

DON'T BE ANGRY...

I'M NOT.

YEAH, I HATE HIM.

... YUTA?

YOU HATE HIM...

THEN RIKA...

...HATES HIM TOOOOO!

GRIN

...OUR ENEMY.

HE'S...

HEALING REQUIRES AN ADVANCED REVERSE CURSED TECHNIQUE.

DISTRACTING YOU GIVES ME TIME.

HELLO THERE.

WHY DID YOU STOP ATTACKING?

TMP

KRRK

KRRK

KRRK

KRRK

LET'S CONTINUE.

VWUN

RIKA, LET'S USE *THAT.*

!!

SNAKE EYES AND FANGS? THAT'S...

THE INUMAKI FAMILY CURSED SIGIL!

SHUP

FWAH

DIE.

GRAHH

SHAA

BWAP

BAP

BAP

PO

KCHF

KCHF

AMAZING.

INUMAKI'S AMAZING...

AS I THOUGHT, RIKA ORIMOTO'S TRUE IDENTITY IS...

TO USE IT AFTER LESS THAN A YEAR OF STUDYING JUJUTSU...

HRM... IT'S HARD TO USE.

CURSED SPEECH IS AN ADVANCED TECHNIQUE PASSED DOWN FROM GENERATION TO GENERATION IN THE INUMAKI FAMILY.

THE ENERGY SPREADS. IT'S HARD TO BE ACCURATE.

KRMBL

A SPIRIT OF ENDLESS CURSED ENERGY.

BUT YOU... YOU...

YEAH, MY FRIENDS ARE AMAZING.

SURREAL.

I'LL TEAR YOU APART!

I WANT IT MORE AND MORE.

FIFTEEN...

HOW OLD ARE YOU TWO?

SHINJUKU BALLPEN TOWN

YOU'RE JUST KIDS.

YOU STILL HAVE A CHANCE TO TURN BACK.

UGHHH...

CAN YOU EVEN TELL THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN GOOD AND EVIL?

SHOULD WE HANG HIM, NANAKO?

MIMIKO, ISN'T THAT GUY, LIKE, SUPER ANNOYING ?!

...IN A COUNTRY-SIDE FULL OF JERKS.

...HOW SORCERERS ARE TREATED...

YOU HAVE NO IDEA...

...SAYS WHITE IS BLACK, THEN HE'S RIGHT.

GOOD AND EVIL? SAVE IT. IF MASTER GETO...

GET IN THE WAY...

...AND YOU'LL GET STRUNG UP!

WOOM

WE BELIEVE IN THE WORLD MASTER GETO ENVISIONS.

KNOCK KNOCK

CAN'T YOU SEE?!

WHAT'RE YOU DOING?!

MIGUEL?!

WHAT?!

FSHHH...

YOU'RE PRETTY TOUGH.

HEH

THAT ROPE... IT'S IMBUED WITH SOME ABNORMAL CURSE.

IT'S MESSING WITH MY CURSED TECHNIQUE.

WHAP

DO YOU KNOW HOW MANY DECADES IT TOOK MY COUNTRY'S SORCERERS TO MAKE THIS?!

NOT EVEN HALF LEFT...!

FSSHH...

TALKIN' LIKE YOU'RE THE MMA COMEDIAN BOBBY OLOGUN.

WHO CARES?

DOOO

GET LOST.

VWP

POW

BOO...

KRACK

THIS IS THE LIMITLESS JUJUTSU GETO WAS TALKING ABOUT.

A PRECISE MANIPULATION OF CURSED ENERGY AT AN ATOMIC LEVEL TO CONTROL SPACE.

!!

CRAP. GOJO'S MAD.

YIKES!

TMP

...THOSE EYES!

AND WHAT MAKES IT POSSIBLE ARE...

IF I DIE, I'LL CURSE YOU, GETO!

TEN MINUTES UNTIL I REACH MY QUOTA.

AN INCREASE IN PHYSICAL ABILITY, AN ALMIGHTY FEELING, YOUR FIVE SENSES FINELY TUNED...

YOUR BODY IS COURSING WITH CURSED ENERGY.

THERE'S A STRONG PASSION YOU'VE NEVER FELT BEFORE.

SO, THE RIFFRAFF WASN'T ENOUGH FOR YOU.

LOOKS LIKE IT'S UP TO ME TO BEAT YOU GOOD.

SHNK

BLECH

...RIKA.

WE'LL DO THIS TOGETH-ER...

KRRSH

...HUMANS BEGAN TO ENVISION EVEN HIGHER BEINGS, THEREBY CREATING "GODS."

LAUGHABLE, ISN'T IT?

SHINK

DESPITE STANDING ATOP THE FOOD CHAIN...

CONSIDERING JUJUTSU SORCERERS LIKE US ALREADY EXIST.

SHU

KLANG

KLANG

KREE KREE

WHUM

WHAK

GRRAK

FWIP

KLAK

KEE

AFTER ALL, THE MONKEYS ...

... DON'T WANT TO ADMIT A SUPERIOR BEING PHYSICALLY EXISTS.

GRRRK

YOU THINK YOU'RE A GOD?

YOU SOUND LIKE A KID!

GRK GRK

YOU'RE MISSING THE POINT...

...OKKO-TSU.

WOON

VWOOM

TCH!

SHOOM

FWIP FWIP FWIP

GRRAK

AM

FWIP

I DO NOT DESIRE *ENLIGHTEN-MENT*, BUT *ESOTERICISM.*

THE WEAK BURY THE STRONG BECAUSE OF SHEER NUMBERS.

THERE'S MISTREAT-MENT TOO.

I'M OKAY.

YUUUTA. YUUUTA...

...MAKE ME WANT TO VOMIT.

THE POMPOUS FACES OF THESE MONKEYS ...

KLNK

I'M STARTING TO GET THE HANG OF IT.

KWA

ANY MORE QUES-TIONS?

AH...

VUP

SHOP

SHUF SHUF SHUF SHUF SHUF SHUF

TOMP

HE'S EVEN FASTER!

KRSHK SHK SHK SHK SHK SHK SHK SHK

SHUK

BOF

HEY, IT'S NOT GOOD...

...TO IMBUE SO MUCH CURSED ENERGY AT ONCE.

THE VESSEL WON'T LAST.

DIDN'T SATORU TEACH YOU THAT?

KRSHNK

ONLY A LITTLE BIT AT A TI—

WHAK

ROLL...

...

NOT BAD.

KRSH

DUN

I DON'T KNOW!

I DON'T KNOW ABOUT OTHER SORCERERS OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL.

OR WHETHER YOU'RE RIGHT!

HOW CAN I KNOW?!

I... NEED TO BELIEVE ...

...THAT...

...I'M AL-LOWED TO LIVE!

BUT FOR ME...

...TO STAY FRIENDS WITH EVERY-ONE...

THAT'S WHY I NEED TO KILL YOU!

FWD

HOW SELFISH.

BUT IT'S SELF-AFFIRMATION.

AFTER ALL, THERE'S NOTHING MORE IMPORTANT IN LIFE.

DID YOU KNOW THERE ARE FOUR HUMANS BESTOWED WITH THE TITLE OF "SPECIAL GRADE"?

GRGRIK

BUT FOR CURSES... THERE ARE 16.

ALLOW ME TO KILL YOU WITH ALL MY SPIRIT.

WAIT.

WITH WHATEVER IT TAKES. I WON'T HOLD BACK.

THIS IS ONE OF THOSE 16.

SPECIAL GRADE IMAGINARY VENGEFUL SPIRIT TAMAMO-NO-MAE INCARNATE.

I'LL COMBINE THE 4,461 CURSES IN MY POSSESSION INTO ONE...

...AND HIT YOU WITH IT.

PLUS...

CURSE MANIPULATION TECHNIQUE: MAXIMUM...
...UZUMAKI.

...BEFORE YOU LEARNED HOW TO USE RIKA PROPERLY.

OKKOTSU. IT'S A GOOD THING I CAME TO KILL YOU...

RIKA.

YEEE...

...AH?

SKW EEZ

I JUST HAVE ONE LAST FAVOR.

THANK YOU FOR PROTECTING ME ALL THIS TIME.

THANK YOU FOR LOVING ME.

I DON'T NEED ANYTHING ELSE.

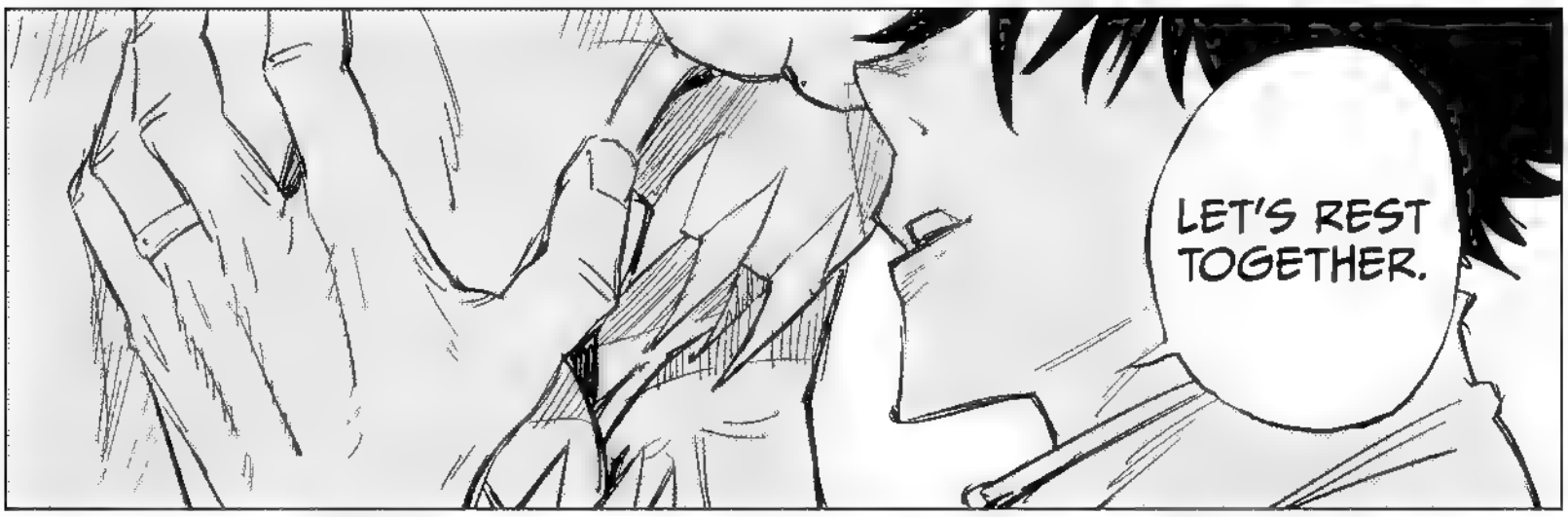
I WANT TO STOP THIS GUY.

WE'LL BE TOGETHER FOREVER.

THEY'RE ALL YOURS.

MY FUTURE, MY HEART, MY BODY...

I LOVE YOU, RIKA.


LET'S REST TOGETHER.

KISS

AAGHH...
SHAKA
AAAGH...

AAAG-
GHHH
SHAKA
SHAKA
SHAKA
SHAKA
SHAKA
SHAKA
AAG-
GHHH

YUTAAA!!

YUTA!!

OO

...MUCH!!!

I LOVE YOU SO SO SO SO SO SO SO SO SO SO SO ...

DUN DUN DUN DUN DUN

SACRIFICING HIMSELF TO SURPASS THE LIMIT OF CURSED ENERGY!

SO THAT'S HOW IT'S GONNA BE!

YOU WOMAN-IZER!!

FUKUMP

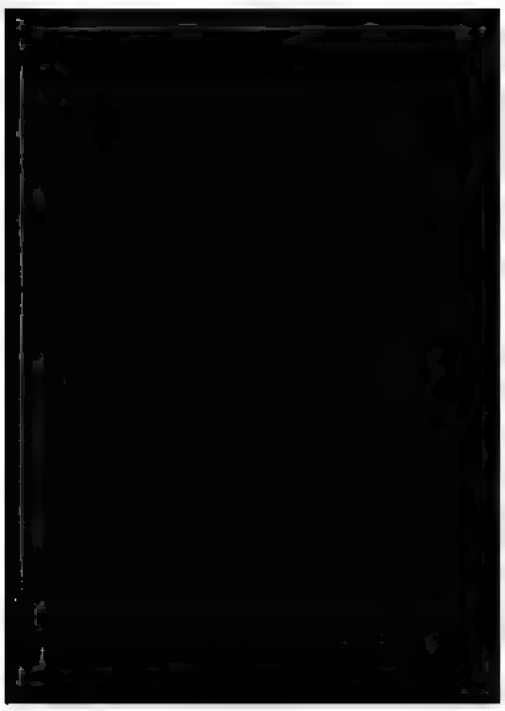
KWEEEEEE

HOW RUDE.

THIS IS PURE LOVE.

THEN THIS IS JUSTICE.

ZOOM



RMB
RRMB BB

AMAZ-
ING.

IF ONLY I HAD RIKA...

...I WOULDN'T HAVE TO COLLECT ALL THESE CURSES.

TRULY AMAZING.

A POWER THAT CAN CHANGE THE WORLD.

SHF...
SHF...

NEXT TIME.

NEXT TIME, SHE'LL BE MINE!

...SATORU.

!

KSH

YOU FINALLY MADE IT...

YOU SENT THOSE TWO HERE KNOWING I'D DEFEAT THEM...

...JUST SO YOU COULD TRIGGER OKKOTSU'S GROWTH.

YEAH, UNLIKE YOU, I'M A KIND PERSON.

HOW'S MY FAMILY?

SO YOU'LL BE THE ONE TO TAKE ME DOWN, HUH?

KYOTO WAS YOUR DOING TOO, WASN'T IT?

THEY ALL GOT AWAY.

HEH HEH HEH.

TRUST, HUH?

PEOPLE WITH BELIEFS LIKE YOURS WON'T KILL A YOUNG SORCERER WITHOUT REASON.

IT'S CALLED TRUST.

YUP.

THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL WAS YOU TOO?!

WHY YOU...!

BAAM

GIVE THIS BACK TO HIM, WILL YA?

!

PSH

I DIDN'T REALIZE YOU STILL FELT ANY CON-NECTION WITH ME.

NO MATTER WHAT, I'LL ALWAYS HATE THOSE MONKEYS.

BUT IT'S NOT LIKE I HATE EVERYONE AT JUJUTSU HIGH.

...

ANY LAST WORDS?

...

...I COULDN'T TRULY BE HAPPY FROM THE BOTTOM OF MY HEART.

IT'S JUST THAT IN THIS WORLD...

VRSH

YOU SHOULD AT LEAST CURSE ME AT THE END.

SUGURU.

HEH.

—

GET A HOLD OF YOURSELF, YUTA!

LEAF MUSTARD!

HEY, YUTA! YOU OKAY?!

YOU GUYS...

...

FWP

UNLIKE THESE GUYS, MY ARM CAN BE REPLACED.

NO WORRIES. WE'RE IN BETTER SHAPE THAN YOU.

THANKS FOR SAVING US.

YEAH ...

AH! PANDA! YOUR ARM!

MAKI... INUMAKI...

YOUR WOUNDS ...

YUTA.

JOLT

WHAT'S WRONG, YUTA?

?

...RIKA.

SORRY TO KEEP YOU WAITING...

WOOM

WOOM

YOU MEAN... DEATH?!

WHAT'RE YOU THINKING ?!

...I AGREED TO GO WITH HER.

WHAT ?!

IN EXCHANGE FOR HER POWERS ...

UM...

SHOOF

RIKA?

HUH?

?

WHO'RE YOU?

EVERY-ONE'S FAVORITE, GOOD-LOOKIN' GOJO SENSEI!

CLAP CLAP

CONGRATS.

CLAP

CLAP

THE CURSE IS BROKEN.

I THOUGHT YUTA'S THEORY WAS INTER-ESTING...

...SO I LOOKED INTO HIS LINEAGE.

RIKA'S WAS COMPLETED A LONG TIME AGO.

BUT YUTA'S WAS QUITE THE SEARCH.

AND WE FOUND OUT...

APPARENTLY, YOU'RE A DESCENDANT OF MICHIZANE SUGAWARA.

IT MAY BE SUPER DISTANT, BUT WE'RE RELATIVES!

YAY

YAY

SUGA—

WHO?

ONE OF JAPAN'S BIG THREE VENGEFUL SPIRITS.

A BIG SHOT JUJUTSU SORCERER.

TUNA.

YUTA, YOU'RE RIGHT.

RIKA ISN'T CURSING YOU.

YOU CURSED RIKA.

"I HAVE TO SAVE HER!"

BADUM

BADUM

BADUM

BADUM

"RIKA! NO!!"

"ARE YOU GONNA DIE?!"

BADUM

YOU

"DON'T DIE!"

BA

DUM

BADUM

BADUM

BADUM

"DON'T DIE."

"DON'T DIE."

"DON'T DIE."

BADUM

...I REFUSED TO LET RIKA DIE.

OH, RIGHT. THAT TIME...

JUDGING BY THE WAY THINGS LOOK...

...YOU ALREADY KNOW THAT.

IF THE CURSED DOESN'T DESIRE PUNISH-MENT...

...THEN THE CURSE BREAKS.

THE CURSER SEVERS THE BOND TYING SERVANT TO MASTER.

IT'S ALL MY FAULT.

TURNING RIKA INTO A CURSE.

HURTING SO MANY PEOPLE.

BECAUSE GETO WAS AFTER ME...

...EVERY-ONE NEARLY DIED.

IT'S ALL MY...

ALL MY...!!

YUTA.

THANK YOU.

I'VE BEEN HAPPIER THESE PAST SIX YEARS...

...THAN WHEN I WAS ALIVE.

FOR GIVING ME TIME.

FOR LETTING ME BE BY YOUR SIDE.

BE WELL.

BYE.

OKAY...

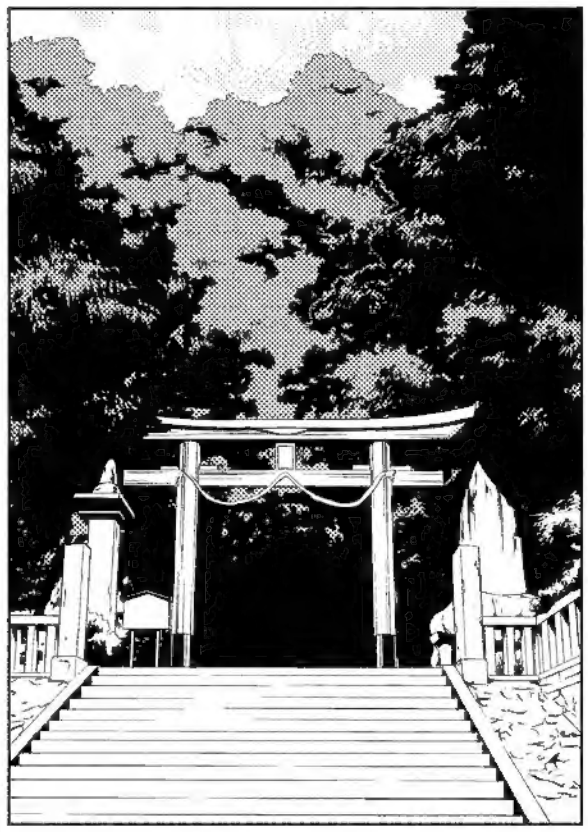
AND DON'T COME OVER TOO SOON, OKAY?

SEE YOU.

YOU'RE NOT TO BLAME FOR GETO.

HE WOULD'VE ATTACKED REGARD-LESS.

RIGHT ...



OH, HERE!

MY I.D.! YOU PICKED IT UP.

NO, NOT ME.

HEY, YUTA! HURRY UP!
MY ONE AND ONLY.
MY BEST FRIEND DID.
LET'S GO.

POSTSCRIPT (?)

• Truth be told, by the time volume 0's four chapters were finished for the monthly magazine, I had no intention of trying to get *Jujutsu Kaisen* serialized in *Weekly Shonen Jump*. Thankfully, the content of volume 0 was well received, so it was more convenient to get something serialized that was already made. Also, I was told that when volume 0 would be made into graphic novel format, it could be featured as a prelude to the *Weekly Shonen Jump* series and be read by a lot more people. So, I figured, "Why not?! Let's do this!" And thus, *Jujutsu Kaisen* was born!

• When I explain it like this, I make it sound as though I forced *Jujutsu Kaisen* to start, but that's not true!

• When I start a manga series, I don't really have a "theme" (principles?) in mind. I begin by thinking about things like, "These twists would be interesting" or "These characters might be cool" or "This scene would be amazing." I think in general terms when coming up with a story. (Doing it this way, I end up with a theme regardless...) For this reason, the numerous ideas I've had that didn't make the cut for other manga are being funneled into *Jujutsu Kaisen*! I'm having a blast!!

• I've already decided on the final chapter's content as well as several things that will happen along the way. However, I still don't know how the dots will connect. I hope everything will turn out okay... But will I be able to finish it...?

• To those who've read my work and support me (fan mail gives me strength), thank you for everything! I'll do my best not to let you down!

Gege Akutami

THOSE WHO'VE READ VOLUMES 1 AND 2 MIGHT HAVE NOTICED THAT THE MVP OF THE NIGHT PARADE OF A HUNDRED DEMONS IS MIGUEL.

SHORTLY THEREAFTER, MIGUEL WAS THRUST INTO A LIFE OF DIFFICULTY...